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Applicants: HASEL et al.

Serial No.:

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Filed:

November 4, 1998

Title: Method For Indexing And Determining The Relative Concentration Of Expressed

Messenger RNA's

Art Unit: 1637

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REQUEST TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT AND CONDITIONAL PETITION TO REVIVE

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Sir:

Applicant requests that the holding of abandonment of this application be withdrawn. In the alternative, Applicant petitions pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b), to revive the above-identified patent application as abandonment of same was unintentional.

By way of background, the Applicant submitted a Response to Office Action on April 24, 2001. In a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated May 2, 2001, Applicant was advised that the Response to Office Action did not comply with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121. Applicant thereafter submitted a Transmittal Letter to the Notice on May 9, 2001 that was deemed to be responsive to the Notice. Nevertheless, a Notice of Abandonment issued on March 12, 2002, that states that no response was received to the Notes EVED Non-Compliant Amendment.

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Applicant encloses herewith a copy of the Transmittal Letter and Express Mail Shipping Label showing submission of the Transmittal Letter with the U.S. Postal Service on May 9, 2001. Moreover, Applicant encloses herewith a correspondence from the U.S. Postal Service dated January 24, 2002, verifying delivery of the Transmittal Letter to Washington, D.C. 20231 to an individual there named G Bethea. This evidence is considered sufficient to show that a response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment was indeed submitted.

To the extent that the foregoing is not sufficient to permit withdrawal of the holding of abandonment, Applicant respectfully petitions pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b), to revive the above-identified patent application as abandonment of same was unintentional. Applicant also submits concurrently herewith an Amendment that is fully responsive to the outstanding Office Action and Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment.

Enclosed please find a check in the amount of \$1,280.00 for the petition fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(m). The Commissioner of Patents is authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0639. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

Date: April 19, 2002

Brian M. Berliner Attorney for Applicants Registration No. 34,549

Respectfully submitted,

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